

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A job processing system comprising first and second information processors, and an output device, which communicate with each other via a network,

wherein said first information processor comprises:

a job issuing unit ~~adapted to that~~ transfers to said output device job data, including print data and attribute information which is used to start outputting the print data; and

a notifying unit ~~adapted to notify that notifies~~ said second information processor of the attribute information for the job data transferred ~~from to said output device by said job issuing unit of said first information processor to said output device~~ and identification information for identifying said output device to which the job data has been transferred the attribute information is to be sent,

wherein said second information processor comprises:

a sending unit ~~adapted to that~~ sends the attribute information notified to the second information processor by said notifying unit of the first information processor to said output device identified by the notified identification information in response to a user's instruction without the user entering the attribute information and identification information, and

wherein said output device comprises:

a storage unit adapted to that stores received the job data which includes print data and attribute information is transferred to said output device by said job issuing unit; and

a control unit adapted to that outputs print data stored in said storage unit if the attribute information sent to said output device by said sending unit of the second information processor corresponds to the attribute information stored in said storage unit.

2. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein said first information processor further comprises a notifying unit which, when said job issuing unit transfers the job data to said output device, notifies a job issue to a user permitted to execute outputting of the print data.

3. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 2, wherein said second information processor further comprises an informing unit which, when said notifying unit notifies the job issue, informs the user of the notification, and

said sending unit sends the attribute information for the job data when a predetermined operation is performed.

4. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein said second information processor further comprises:

a notifying unit adapted to notify the same information as notified by said notifying unit of the first information processor to another user to be given permission to output the print data; and

an adding unit adapted to add a user to be given permission to output print data to attributes with respect to said output device.

5. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the attribute information issued by said job issuing unit of said first information processor contains an upper-limit number of output times of job data, and

said output device further comprises an erasing unit adapted to erase a job when the upper-limit number of output times of the job is reached.

6. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 1, wherein the attribute information issued by said job issuing unit of said first information processor contains information concerning a validity period of job data, and

said output device further comprises an erasing unit adapted to erase job data whose validity period has expired.

7. (Currently Amended) A control method of a job processing system comprising first and second information processors, and an output device, which communicate with each other via a network.

wherein said first information processor performs:

a job issuing step of transferring to said output device job data, including print data and attribute information which is used to start outputting the print data; and

a notifying step of notifying said second information processor of the attribute information for the job data transferred from to said output device by said job

issuing step of said first information processor to said output device and identification information for identifying said output device to which the job data has been transferred the attribute information is to be sent,

wherein said second information processor performs:

a sending step of sending the attribute information notified to the second information processor by said notifying step of the first information processor to said output device identified by the notified identification information in response to a user's instruction without the user entering the attribute information and identification information, and

wherein said output device performs:

a storage step of storing received the job data which includes print data and attribute information is transferred to the output device by the job issuing step; and

a control step of outputting print data stored in the storage step if the attribute information sent to the output device in the sending step by the second information processor corresponds to the attribute information stored in said storage step.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A network system comprising:

first and second information processors provided on a network,

said first information processor comprising:

a job issuing unit adapted to convert information to be output, transferred from high-order processing, into data suited to an output device, and to transfer

to said output device job data, including the converted data and attribute information attached thereto which is used to start outputting the converted data; and

a notifying unit adapted to notify said second information processor of the attribute information for the job data transferred ~~from~~ to said output device by said job issuing unit of said first information processor ~~to said output device~~ and identification information for identifying said output device to which ~~the job data has been transferred~~ the attribute information is to be sent, and

said second information processor comprising:

a sending unit adapted to send the attribute information notified to the second information processor by said notifying unit of the first information processor ~~for the job data~~ to said output device identified by the notified identification information, in response to a user's instruction without the user entering the attribute information and identification information,

wherein said output device starts processing for the job data if attribute information sent to the output device by the sending unit of the second information processor matches the attribute information included in the job data sent to the output device by the first information processor.

10. (Currently Amended) A control method of a network system comprising an output device which stores externally received job data and starts processing for the job data when receiving attribute information matching attribute information of the stored job data, and first and second information processors,

wherein said first information processor performs:

a job issuing step of converting information to be output into data suited to said output device, and transferring to said output device job data, including the converted data and attribute information attached thereto which is used to start outputting the converted data; and

a notifying step of notifying said second information processor of the attribute information for the job data transferred ~~from~~ to said output device by said job issuing step of said first information processor to said output device and identification information for identifying said output device to which ~~the job data has been transferred~~ the attribute information is to be sent, and

wherein said second information processor comprises:

a sending step of sending the attribute information notified to the second information processor by the notifying step of the first information processor for the job data to said output device identified by the notified identification information, in response to a user's instruction without the user entering the attribute information and identification information.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A printing apparatus connected to a network, comprising:

a first receiving unit ~~adapted to that~~ receives, from a first client terminal on said network, print data and authentication information for executing printing of the print data;

a storage unit ~~adapted to that~~ stores the received print data and authentication information;

a second receiving unit ~~adapted to that~~ receives, from a second client terminal on said network, authentication information which the first client terminal has sent to the second client terminal together with identification information for identifying the printing apparatus, the second client terminal sending the authentication information to the printing apparatus identified by the identifying identification information in response to a user's instruction without the user entering the authentication information and the identification information; and

a printing unit ~~adapted to that~~ prints, when the authentication information received by said second receiving unit from the second client terminal corresponds to the authentication information received by said first receiving unit, the print data stored in the storage unit which corresponds to the authentication information.

13. (Currently Amended) The printing apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising:

a print job managing unit ~~adapted to that~~ stores and manages the authentication information for the received print data;

wherein said first receiving unit further receives information for specifying said second client terminal,

wherein said print job managing unit stores and manages information for specifying said second client terminal together with the authentication information, and

said printing unit performs printing when a client as a transmission source of authentication information received by said second receiving unit is said second client terminal stored and managed by said print job managing unit.

14. (Previously Presented) The printing apparatus according to claim 13, wherein said print job managing unit stores information for specifying a plurality of second client terminals for one print data.

15. (Currently Amended) The printing apparatus according to claim 14, further comprising a receiving unit adapted to that receives authentication information from all second client terminals for one print job, and ~~erasing~~ erases information concerning the print job from said storage unit when printing is performed.

16. (Currently Amended) A control method of a printing apparatus connected to a network, comprising:

a first receiving step of receiving, from a first client terminal on the network, print data and authentication information for executing printing of the print data;

a storage step of storing the received print data and the authentication information into a predetermined memory;

a second receiving step of receiving, from a second client terminal on said network, authentication information which the first client terminal has sent to the second client terminal together with identification information for identifying the printing apparatus, the second client terminal sending the authentication information to the printing apparatus identified by the ~~identifying~~ identification information in response to a user's



instruction without the user entering the attribute information and identification information; and

a printing step of, when the authentication information received in the second receiving step corresponds to the authentication information received in the first receiving step, printing the print data stored in the storage step which corresponds to the authentication information.

17. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 16, further comprising:

a print job managing step of storing and managing the authentication information for the received print data;

wherein in the first receiving step, information for specifying said second client terminal is further received,

wherein in the print job managing step, information for specifying said second client terminal is stored and managed together with the authentication information, and

in the printing step, printing is performed when a client as a transmission source of authentication information received in the second receiving step is said second client terminal stored and managed in the print job managing step.

18. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 17, wherein, in the print job managing step, information for specifying a plurality of second client terminals for one print data is stored.

19. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 18, further comprising a step of receiving authentication information from all second client terminals for one print job, and erasing information concerning the print job from said memory when printing is performed.